

Amendment No. 1 to SB0580

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Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 580

House Bill No. 125*

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by deleting all language after the caption and by substituting instead the following:

Whereas, nearly every other state in the Union has set seventeen (17) as the age bar to being unaccompanied to see certain rated movies as determined by the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA); and

Whereas, Tennessee is one of the few states to have statutorily adopted the MPAA guidelines; however, it is the only state to have done so and failed to adopt the correct MPAA age bar for R-rated movies, (i.e., seventeen years of age); and

Whereas, Tennessee should be consistent with the national standard and guidelines of the MPAA movie ratings code, which it has adopted, that have been recognized as appropriate by a group of education experts, child health and welfare officials, and religious leaders; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF
TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-907(b), is amended by deleting the words, figures and symbols "eighteen (18) years of age", wherever they appear sequentially, and by substituting instead the following:

seventeen (17) years of age

SECTION 2. This act shall take upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.